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SUBJECT: LOCAL PRESS WORRIED ABOUT USE OF B-52'S IN
KOREA

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1. THE RYUKYU SHIMPO SEPT 3 GAVE SCARE TREATMENT TO A REPORT
THAT B-52'S WOULD BE DEPLOYED FROM OKINAWA TO KOREA IN THE EVENT
OF A SURPRISE ATTACK FROM THE NORTH. THE ARTICLE WAS BASED ON A
STORY CARRIED IN THE PACIFIC STARS AND STRIPES AUG 30 ON LT.
GENERAL HOLLINGSWORTH'S BRIEFING FOR DEFENSE SECRETARY SCHLESINGER
DURING THE LATTER'S VISIT TO KOREA.

2. THE SHIMPO REPORTED GEN. HOLLINGSWORTH AS SAYING THAT B-52'S
BASED IN OKINAWA WOULD BE USED IN SUPPORT OF GROUND TROOPS WITH
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THE INTENT OF SUPPRESSING AND DESTROYING A NORTH KOREAN ATTACK,

IN A NINE-DAY INTENSIVE BATTLE. B-52'S COULD BE DISPATCHED FROM
OKINAWA 30 TIMES PER HOUR. SECRETARY SCHLESINGER REPORTEDLY AGREED
TO SUPPORT THE PLAN. THE SHIMPO CONCLUDED THAT SUCH USE OF
B-52'S, COUPLED WITH THE PRESENCE OF F-4 PHANTOMS OF THE 18TH
TFW AT KADENA AND THE THIRD MAF, MADE IT INEVITABLE THAT U.S.
BASES IN OKINAWA WOULD BECOME ENTANGLED IN AN EMERGENCY ON THE
KOREAN PENINSULA.

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